

Regional Homeland Security Oversight Committee Meeting
Comfort Inn – Macon, MO
April 16, 2007
6:30 p.m.

Minutes

John Hark, RHSOC Chairman, called the meeting to order at approximately 6:35 p.m. and welcomed all those present. All those in attendance have been incorporated into the minutes by the attached signature sheet.

After individual reviews of the prior meeting minutes, Becky Leake motioned to accept the minutes as presented. Randy Behrens seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Zada Farris, SEMA, gave a brief presentation on the grant award and acceptance. Zada informed the group that the request for surveillance equipment was denied. Those monies would have to be reallocated.

Zada then spoke on NIMSCAST. She stated that in the future, NIMS compliance must be proven before funds will be awarded. The future goal is to have every community in Region B NIMS compliant.

Jay Bosch, SEMA, gave an update on the status of the State application and noted that it had been submitted.

Eddie Hedrick, DHSS Representative/Emerging Infections Coordinator, gave a presentation on Pandemic Planning. It was noted that John Hark and Ron Stewart would set on the Pandemic Planning Committee.

O.J. Stone, SEMA, gave a presentation regarding critical infrastructure. He noted that an earthquake exercise would be held in June. It will be the largest exercise the State of Missouri has ever held. He then spoke about a survey that will be issued through the RHSOC's in 2007. He asked that Region B get all of their disciplines involved in this survey. Jim Burns and Wayne Hackman were appointed to serve on the Critical Infrastructure Committee. Additionally, Mr. Stone updated the committee on the MERIS system and asked for volunteers to train as trainers.

Mark Campbell, spoke on the goals and objectives for the Mass Care Coordinator's position. He asked for volunteers for a Hiring Committee (3 people). The Hiring Committee will consist of Randy Behrens, Roy Monroe and Daniel Parshall.

After a short Committee discussion, Gayle Stanley motioned to contract with NEMO RPC to house the Mass Care Coordinator. Daniel Parshall seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

The next Region B RHSOC meeting will be held on July 16, 2007 at 10:00 a.m. at the Comfort Inn in Macon, MO.

Being no further business, Becky Leake motioned to adjourn the meeting at approximately 8:35 p.m. Lyndon Bode seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

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